Attorney's Docket No.: 02103-354001 Client's Ref. No.: AABOSSO5

OFFICIAL COMMUNICATION FACSIMILE:

RECEIVED **CENTRAL FAX CENTER**

OFFICIAL FAX NO: (703) 872-9306

FEB 0 3 2005

Number of pages including this page

Applicant: J. Richard Aylward et al.

Art Unit : 2747

Serial No.: 09/313,058

Examiner:

Filed

: May 17, 1999

Title

: DIRECTIONAL DECODING

Hon. Commissioner for Patents

P.O. Box 1450

Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Attached to this facsimile communication cover sheet is Amendment A, faxed this 3rd day of February, 2005, to the United States Patent and Trademark Office.

> Respectfully submitted, FISH & RICHARDSON P.C.

Date: February 3, 2005

Charles Hieken Reg. No. 18,411

Attorneys for Application Owner

Fish & Richardson P.C. 225 Franklin Street Boston, MA 02110-2804 Telephone: (617) 542-5070

Fax: (617) 542-8906

21022464.doc

NOTE: This facsimile is intended for the addressee only and may contain privileged or confidential information. If you have received this facsimile in error, please immediately call us collect at (617) 542-5070 to arrange for its return. Thank you.

Attorney's Docket No.: 02103-354001 / AABOSSO5

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

RECEIVED CENTRAL FAX CENTER

Applicant: J. Richard Aylward et al.

Art Unit : 2747 Examiner: Xu Mei FEB 0 3 2005

Serial No.: 09/313,058

Filed Title

: May 17, 1999 : DIRECTIONAL DECODING

Mail Stop Amendment

Hon. Commissioner for Patents

P.O. Box 1450

Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

AMENDMENT A

Dear Commissioner:

Responsive to the office action dated November 3, 2004, please amend the aboveidentified application in accordance with the following pages.

CERTIFICATE OF MAILING OR TRANSMISSION

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United Sates Postal Service with sufficient postage for first class mail in an envelope addressed to the above address, or being facsimile transmitted to the USPTO, on the date indicated below.

Date of Transmissi

Signature

Typed or Printed Name of Person Signing Certificate